TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 2075 - SB 1985

March 10, 2016

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires any person who maintains records for a facility or physician's office which performs abortions to provide records to the appropriate district attorney general, in addition to the current requirement to provide records to the Department of Health ("Department"). Requires the Commissioner of the Department to provide such report to the Office of Vital Statistics. Establishes certain information to be included in the report. Requires each person undergoing an abortion to be assigned a unique identifying number for which each procedure may be referenced in the report. Prohibits any patient from being identified by name in the report. Each record and report shall be confidential. Authorizes the Office of Vital Statistics to compile and make public non-personal statistical data compiled from information contained in the report. Establishes that if an abortion procedure is performed outside an institution, the attending physician is required to prepare and file the report.

Creates a civil penalty, not to exceed \$500, to be paid by any person that fails to file a report with the appropriate district attorney and Department. In addition, any such failure shall be grounds for suspension of a facility's or physician's license for up to 30 days.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- The proposed legislation places additional requirements on facilities and other health care providers which perform abortions.
- According to the Department of Health, the proposed legislation will have no significant impact on the Department as the information required to be included in this report is collected on current forms, with the exception of providing the gender.
- There will not be a sufficient number of civil penalties or license suspensions for state government to experience any significant increase in revenue.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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